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Sir:

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Smalley, et al.	5,471,400	November 28, 1995
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The above-referenced documents are listed on PTO Form 1449. We have enclosed the cited documents to facilitate reference to them. English language abstracts have been provided for the foreign language references.

In view of the present submission, it is believed that the above-referenced application is, in all respects, complete and in condition for further examination and favorable consideration.

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